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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

MASAHIRO MOTOYUKI ET AL

: EXAMINER:

NEW REISSUE OF
U.S. PATENT NO. 6,018,086

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: GROUP ART UNIT:

FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING
2,6-DIALKYLNAPHTHALENE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application identified above as follows (marked-up copy of amendments attached):

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new Claims 28-31 as follows:

28. A process for preparing a polyester resin comprising:

producing 2,6-dialkylnaphthalene from a feedstock by the process of Claim 22;

oxidizing the 2,6-dialkylnaphthalene to form 2,6-naphthalenedicarboxylic acid; and

manufacturing the polyester resin from the 2,6-naphthalene-dicarboxylic acid.

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